

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicant:** Resnick et al.

**Atty. Dkt. No.:** PRE556/4-002DIV  
(formerly 29279/3:3)

**Serial No.:** 09/734,988

**Examiner:** Elda Milef

**Filed:** December 11, 2000

**Group Art Unit:** 3628

**Title:** ELECTRONIC PAYMENT SYSTEM  
UTILIZING INTERMEDIARY ACCOUNT

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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**PETITION FOR A THREE (3) MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.136(a)**

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Dear Examiner Milef:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension of time is three (3) months 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) and the fee is \$1,020.00. Applicant respectfully petitions that a three-month extension of time to respond be granted. This three-month extension will extend the time for response to April 4, 2006, which is within the six month statutory time for response. This three-

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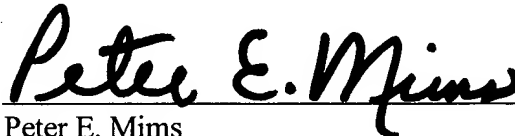
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month extension is also applicable to the Notice of Appeal that is being filed contemporaneously with this paper and this petition for a three-month extension of time.

In connection with the extension, Applicant hereby requests and authorizes the Commissioner to deduct the large entity three-month extension fee of \$1020.00 from the Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 22-0365, Attn: PRE556/4-002DIVUS. No other fees are believed to be due. If an error in calculation has been made or any additional fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit the same Vinson & Elkins Deposit Account as necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter E. Mims". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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